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Local and General

Mr. Earl Brown returned home on Friday last after an extended visit to the States.

Harold Potter was home on leave during the week end for the first time since he has donned khaki.

A. Bennett, Chartered Accountant of Calgary, is busy auditing the books of the Rural Municipality of Rosebud.

We noticed the name of Pte. A. Landymore was amongst the list of wounded due to return home this day, Friday.

Don't forget 'The Flowing Bowl' will be repeated in the Union Church on Friday evening, Feb. 22nd, in aid of the Crossfield and District Agricultural Society.

The second of a series of meetings in connection with the local Agricultural Society took place Friday evening last, a Whist Drive was held in the Bank premises and a Dance in the I.O.O.F. hall. At midnight an interval was called for supper. After which Mrs. Bolick read a very interesting paper on "Women's Work." Dancing resumed and continued till the early morn. The prize winners in the Whist Drive were: Highest lady's score, Mrs. W. Munro; Lowest lady's score, Mrs. F. Purvis; Highest gent's score, Mr. Lee Ahleman; and Lowest gent's score, Mr. G. McLeod.

Union Church. — Rev. H. M. Horricks, B.A., B.D., Pastor.
Sunday, February 17th.

Services on west end of circuit.
Rev. D. H. Marr, B.A., Secy. of Canadian Bible Society will preach. Special music at evening service by the Orchestra.

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All are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. S. H. Bray, Manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Crossfield intends forming a Boys' and Girls' Club in this district. All those who are interested are requested to notify Mr. Bray at an early date. The club will be for all children from 8 to 17 years, and its present purpose will be to have the members compete in the Canadian Bankers' Competition at the Crossfield and District Agricultural Fair, to be held in June. Valuable prizes will be given for the best calves and pigs exhibited by children, and it is hoped that all children in the district will compete for the prizes which will be 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th. Mr. Bray will be glad to supply anyone with full information, and The Canadian Bank of Commerce will help the children financially.

Dr. M. Mecklenburg, qualified, long experienced, and graduate Optician, will again be at Carstairs on Tuesday, March 5th. Charges are moderate.

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By Order of the Village Council.
61-52- W. McIntyre, Sec.-Treas.

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Correspondence.

Editor, The Chronicle.

Dear Sir,—You will note the uncertainty of prices governing the hog market, although the demand is good right along. This "shows" that a certain amount of speculation is carried on according to the opportunity offered. How can we reduce this opportunity to a minimum? I believe the solution lies in the purchase of an abattoir and cold storage plant, such as that offered to farmers and livestock men now, by the "Calgary Abattoir and Cold Storage Ltd." This would give a steadiness to prices hitherto unknown, meantime they jump up and fall down according to the whim of the big buyer, who can cause a slump any time; like they did in Calgary last December. When the withdrawal of the Eastern buyers from the Calgary market resulted in a slump of 5,000 hogs in the Calgary stockyards on the 1st of December last, resulting in a loss of from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per hog, and a loss to the farmers of \$10,000. If we owned a plant like that now offered such a thing could not happen, because the hogs could be cured in our own home plant, under capable management and regulation Government inspection. The establishment of additional slaughtering facilities of cattle, sheep and hogs in Calgary is a dire necessity and a crying need at the present time.

Why ship them alive with so much unnecessary shrinkage, when we could cure them here at our own doors (so to speak). Encourage home industries. How it cheers those Calgary boys to receive some of this finished product from their native city, and those who are farmers sons, from their own plant. For, remember, the chief argument against farm produce is, that it is an unfinished product, "raw material." According to F. W. Stevens, Livestock Commissioner for Alberta.

Does the present day hog situation meet with your utmost approval? If it does there is no need to do anything further. If it does not, what must we do to remedy it? I think the way is clear. Own our own plant, finish our product, encourage our home industries. The opportunity now offered is ideal, do not miss it.

A speaker has been arranged for at the regular monthly meeting of the Rodney U.P.A., on Saturday, February 23rd, at 8 p.m. Come in en masse.

If any local union wish to arrange for meetings and obtain speakers I would be pleased to communicate with them.

D. J. MILLER, President Rodney Local.

Liberty Oil and Gas Company Nearing Gas Sands in Elk Basin

Good Indications of Oil Are Showing Up in Their Well No. 2 at Elk Basin Where the Company Has Reached a Depth of Over One Thousand Feet

Taken from the Oil and Mineral Journal, Billings, Montana, Jan. 28

The Liberty Oil and Gas Company's officials are jubilant over the report from their well No. 2 at Elk Basin, and well they need be. This company has 724 acres in the Elk Basin oil fields and are drilling in close proximity of producing wells in this national-known oil field. The Elk Basin for the year just ended produced over \$25,000,000.

The Liberty's Well No. 2 is down to a depth of over 1000 feet and the indications of oil are strong. Judging from the formation of the oil sands, the company will not have to go over four or five hundred feet to strike the first oil, and when this is encountered the company will certainly be in the game strong. The acreage that they have guaranteed putting down several hundred wells on their own holdings and secure producing wells for years, 724 acres means that there will be no chance of other companies getting in near by, if that were not a fact that adjoining territory would soon be "milked dry" by companies operating in their vicinity.

The Liberty Company, like all good substantial companies, do not believe in having their "eggs in one basket" and have secured 40,000 acres of leases in territory that has oil indications, or in proven territory. They have four Standard rigs at work in four separate fields and will start other rigs in the near future. They hope to be able to put down forty or fifty wells during 1918. When seen at their new offices in the Northern Block this week, the manager Mr. George C. Christian, said that he was too old to go to the front, but was going to do his "bit" by furnishing all the oil possible to help win the war.

The company has over \$100,000 worth of equipment, all paid for, and four rig-running night and day. Some near production and one which has just "spudded in" and they should certainly do their share towards helping to increase the much needed credit, and refined oil that is so necessary in carrying on the war to a successful close. So far the company has only sold 12 per cent of its treasury stock and so 88 per cent is still in the treasury. This is a wonderful record for any company, and is due in a great measure to the careful management of the affairs of the name. Unlike most companies there are no large salaried officers to eat into the cream of the treasury stock. All money received goes to the development of the company's holdings, and that is why it is possible for them to make such a good showing.

To talk with Mr. Christian for only a few moments would convince any and will make it a winner from start to finish. The fact that it has been possible to raise over \$130,000 up to December 1st, and only cost the company less than fifteen per cent, means something to the careful investor.

They are putting on a large block of stock at 15 cents per share for quick results. March 1st the stock will be advanced to 20 cents per share, and each month will see a raise until they have secured an amount large enough to complete at least forty or fifty wells. The stock will then be taken off the market. As Mr. Christian says: "We have a good thing and want to let the people in at this time." Had it not been for the fact that the Government needs the oil so badly we would not have attempted to

put down so many wells, but we feel that we must do our share at once, and at the same time make big money for our stockholders while doing it. We are going to give the public fair warning that they can get in now—but a year later—that is, after we have secured enough funds to guarantee the results desired."

Had the Liberty Company only just their holdings at Elk Basin, it would be a safe investment. Their lines of leases are less than 80 rods from producing wells and the formation of their holdings makes it a certainty that they are bound to get producers in a very few hundred feet where they are now drilling. With the company's other holdings in good fields where oil indications are very promising they are doubly good as an investment. The fact that they already have nearly \$100,000 in equipment, all paid for, and busy at work, make them something very substantial to the investor. The stock selling at 15 cents for thirty days means that they will have a rush of buyers that will carry them off their feet, so to speak.

And well they should—they deserve the success that is attending them. It's this class of stock that has our hearty endorsement. We like action and a run for our money, and with a company as financially well fixed as this one is, there is no uncertainty about its success in the long run. Nothing succeeds like success—and success is sure in their case.

On another page in this issue the Liberty Company have a full page ad, that will interest and carry you into more details than we are able to in the space at our disposal. Read this ad, carefully and write to the company for prospectus. It is one of the best and most up-to-the-minute in details concerning the oil situation here in Alberta, as published by any oil company in the northwest.

Liberal Oil Drilling Began Last Monday

Actual drilling operations were begun Monday morning by the Liberty Oil and Gas Company on their property near the camp 10 miles north of Wilmam and according to reports received yesterday satisfactory progress is being made. The drilling operations are in charge of W. E. Adamson, an expert driller, who has had several years experience in the Ohio oil field. The company has installed a modern drilling plant equipped with the latest machinery. Sheds have been erected so that cold weather will not interfere with the operations. The length of time necessary in sinking the well will depend entirely on the formation of the rock encountered and the depths it will be necessary to go. According to Mr. Adamson, the depth attained may range from 25 to 100 feet each day.

The development of the oil resources of the Shields valley has been awaited for a number of years with considerable anticipation. Government geologists who have inspected the field pronounce it as having every indication of being oil bearing. Through the untiring efforts of Edgar Potter and associates, a strong company has been formed for the purpose of determining whether oil deposits exist in this section—Shields Valley Record, January 24th.

Women's Institutes of Alberta Convention

The Women's Institutes of Alberta are holding a Convention in Edmonton, on March 6th, 7th and 8th, at the MacDonald Hotel, and it is expected that there will be about 800 delegates present.

A very interesting programme has been arranged including some of our leading women speakers of the day, among them being Mrs. Nellie McClung, Mrs. Arthur Murphy, Edmonton; Dr. Helen MacMurchy, Toronto; Miss Hazel Winter, Superintendent of Institutes in New Brunswick; Lieut. Roberta McAdams, M.P., for overness; and Mrs. Jean Muldrew, director of domestic science in the Food Controllers Dept.

Owing to the high rate of infant mortality in Alberta the slogan for the Alberta Institute this year is "Save the babies." Institute this year is of perpetuating this campaign will be discussed.

There will also be other rural problems discussed, and it is hoped that the Convention will have definite results in making the life of the rural women as satisfying as that of her sister in the city. All the delegates and members attending the Convention are requested to purchase a single fare ticket to Edmonton and obtain from the ticket agent at the starting point a "Standard Certificate."

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Crossfield School District No. 752

The REGULAR MEETING of the above school Board will be held at the School House at 10 a. m. on the first Saturday of the following months: January, March, May, July, September and November. All matters of business pertaining to the district will be attended to at this meeting.

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(Continued.)

Foster, who had hitherto lived in tents and shacks, remembered his misgivings when they built the house. Indeed, he had grumbled that it might prove a dangerous locking up of capital that was needed for the enlargement of the mill. Featherstone, however, insisted, and since most of the money was his, Foster gave in; but they had prospered since then. They were good friends, and had learned to allow for each other's point of view during the several years of strenuous work and economy. Still, Foster admitted that their success was not altogether due to their own efforts, because once or twice when they had to face a financial crisis, the situation was saved by a check Featherstone had left. Cameron told him Hulton turned to him because they objected to his getting up.

"Your letter was from Hulton, wasn't it? What does he want?" "He doesn't state, but asks us to call at the factory tomorrow evening. That's all, but I heard in town that the doctor and nurse had left. Cameron told me Hulton fired them both because they objected to his getting up."

"It's possible," Featherstone agreed. "Hulton's not the man to bother about his own etiquette when he wants to do a thing. anyhow, as he has been a pretty good friend of ours, we had better go, but I wouldn't have imagined he'd have been ready to talk about the tragedy just yet."

"You think that is what he wants to talk about?"

Featherstone nodded. "We knew Fred Hulton better than anybody at the Crossing, and at the inquiry I tried to indicate that his death was due to an accident. I imagined that Hulton was grateful. It's true that I don't see how the accident could have happened, but I don't believe Fred shot himself. Though it was an open verdict, you and I and Hulton are perhaps the only people who take this view."

"We'll let it drop until tomorrow. What did you learn at Toronto?"

"Perhaps the most important thing was that I'll have to give up my trip to the Old Country."

"Ah," said Foster, who waited, trying to hide his disappointment, and alarm, for he saw that his suspicions about his partner's health had been correct.

"The doctor didn't think it wise; said something about England's being too damp, and objected to a winter voyage," Featherstone resumed.

"It looks as if you were better at calculating the profit on a lumber deal than diagnosing illness, because while you doctored me for influenza, it was pneumonia I had. However, I admit that you did your best, and you needn't feel anxious. It seems I am not much the worse, though I'll have to be careful for the next few months, which I'm to spend on the Pacific slope, California for choice. It's a bit of a knock, but can't be helped."

Foster declared his sympathy, but Featherstone stopped him. "There's another matter; that fellow Daly's here again. I expect you guessed what he came for the last time?"

"I did. The bank book showed you drew a rather large sum."

"No doubt you thought it significant that the check was payable to myself?"

Foster was silent for a moment or two. He trusted his comrade, but suspected that there was something in his past history that he meant to hide. For one thing, Featherstone never spoke about his life in the Old Country, and Foster was surprised when he stated his intention of spending a few months there. It looked as if Daly knew his secret and had used his knowledge to blackmail him.

"I'll go to California with you," he said. "One place is as good as another for a holiday, and I'm really not keen on going home. I've no near relations and have lost touch with my friends."

"No," said Featherstone, with a grateful look. "I want you to go to England and stay with my people. I haven't said much about them, but you'll find they will do their best to make things pleasant. anyhow, it's time you knew that I left home in serious trouble and meant to stop away until I thought the cause of it forgotten. Well, not long ago, I died, but had sent me word that as I had, no doubt, paid for my fault in this country, I'd nothing more to fear. Then Daly got upon my track."

Foster nodded sympathetically. "How much does he know?"

"Enough to be dangerous, but I don't know how he learned it, and I don't mean to keep on buying him

off. Now I want you to go home and tell my people what we're doing; if you can give them the impression that I've so to speak, made good in Canada, so much the better. This is not entirely for my sake, but because it might be a relief to them. You see, they've had to suffer something on my account and felt my disgrace, but, although I deserved it, they wouldn't give me up."

"Very well," said Foster. "I'll do as you wish."

He knocked out and re-filled his pipe as an excuse for saying nothing more because he was somewhat moved. He guessed that Featherstone had not found it easy to take him in to his confidence, and felt that he had atoned for his errors in the past. Still, there was a point he was doubtful about. His comrade had a well-bred air, and Foster imagined that his people were rich and fastidious.

"I'm not sure your relatives will enjoy my visit," he resumed after a time. "My father and mother died when I was young and I was sent to a second-rate school and kept there by an uncle who wanted to get rid of me. Then I'd a year or two in a merchant's office and cheap lodgings, and when I'd had enough of both, came to Canada with about five pounds. You know how I've lived here."

Featherstone gave him an amused glance. "You needn't let that trouble you. It's curious, but the bush seems to bring out the best that's in a man. I can't see why getting wet and half frozen, working fourteen hours a day, and often going without your dinner, should have a refining influence, but it has. Besides, I'm inclined to think you have learned more in the Northwest than they could have taught you at an English university. anyhow, you'll find my people aren't hard to please."

When they were going to California, Foster, who felt half embarrassed, asked, "Let's fix Thursday next, and I'll bring out the best that's in a man. But I'm going east, and your way's by Vancouver."

"For all that, I think I'll start east, and then get on to a west-bound train at a station down the line. The folks at the Crossing know I'm going home, and I don't want to put Daly on my track." He smoked in silence for a few moments, and then added:

"I wonder whether Austin helped the fellow to get after me?"
(To Be Continued.)

Demonstrating Farm Machinery

Farm Implements for Demonstration Purposes at University of Saskatchewan

The University of Saskatchewan has probably one of the largest, if not the largest, collection of farm implements on the North American continent for demonstration purposes. This collection has been got together in four years, and consists of practically every implement that is on sale in Western Canada. Exclusive of tractors and small engines, the value of the exhibit exceeds \$35,000.

The machines are replaced from time to time with newer and more up-to-date models, so that the farmer can compare all the latest makes of farm machinery without being harassed by any agent to buy his particular machine. Two of the professors of the university and other experts in charge of the exhibits are glad to help anyone to compare the different machines, pointing out the principal differences and advantages claimed by the makers for the various types. Many farmers are now buying larger machinery in order to increase their production and before they go to the university to look over the different makes, as well as find out the principles on which the machines work, and the points to be observed in adjusting and operating them.

The men who take the short courses in gas engines also get work in farm machinery, this being an essential part in farming with gas engines.

One of the chief benefits afforded by the demonstration of these machines is the help it gives to American and other new settlers who have little about the implements being used in Western Canada. By getting valuable information on the different implements they can often prevent mistakes, and save a great deal of time and money.

Some men in business are like the chap who used a cannon for shooting mice.

Do Animals Think?

This Observer Gives Horses and Cattle Credit for Considerable Intelligence

I am surprised that any one should still hold to the old theory that animals do not think. That theory is smashed completely by the one fact that memory, which is conceded to all animals by every one who knows them at all, is defined as "the conscious reproduction of a previous thought." If they do not think, whence comes "the previous thought?" Either our scientific men who deny thought in the lower orders must agree that thought is common to these animals, or they must remodel the definition of memory.

How about the mare that broke through a barbed wire fence and travelled a mile and a half to the home of my brother-in-law when she was sick, waking him in the middle of the night by pawing at his door, because her owner had taken her there a year before when she was sick as now? How about our own red cow with the lop-horn, who learned to carry her bell so the clapper would not touch the bell, while she made her way into the corn field? How about that same cow, after trying to reach a choice morsel through the fence, stepping back to look the situation over, then getting down on her knees to run her head under the fence, which was on short posts that kept it two feet off the ground, rolling herself through below the rails to the garden? How about the mischievous horse of Henry Ferguson in Minnesota, that would tease his mate to try and bite his knee, then either bump the nose of the biter with his knee or catch his rein in his teeth and yank on it till the mate threw his head up? Saw that done myself at least a dozen times in an hour.—E. E. Harriman, in Literary Digest.

Lord Halsbury, during one of his terms of office, had occasion to visit a certain lunatic asylum in his official capacity.

"I'm the Lord Chancellor," he announced to the attendant at the door.

The man looked at him curiously for a moment.

"This way, sir," he said, very firmly, "we have three more of 'em in here."—Tribune.

Juvenile Stock

Feeding Competition

Great Interest Being Shown by the

Boys' and girls' stock feeding competitions have become a feature at exhibitions throughout Western Canada. These competitions are generally arranged by breeders' associations, sometimes with the assistance of the department of agriculture of the province and other public bodies. Usually they are confined to boys and girls between the ages of ten and fifteen years, who are required to feed, care for and look after a calf, a pig or a lamb, as the case may be, for a certain period previous to the opening of the fair.

Of all the competitions at the Calgary fair recently, probably the greatest interest was shown in the baby beef competition. The object of the competition was to give special encouragement to boys and girls to become directly interested in the feeding and care of live stock. The competition was for heifers, pure-bred or grade born in 1916 and fed between November 1st and the date of the show by boys or girls between nine and seventeen years of age. Fourteen prizes of from \$25 to \$100 were awarded. The interest in this competition among the young people of Alberta is shown by the fact that there were fifty-three entries, including fifteen girls.

The success of this competition has assured its continuance for several years. Next year there will also be a sheep shearing competition at the summer fair, and sheep and pig feeding competitions at the winter fair, in addition to a baby beef competition, all open to boys and girls. The period during which the animals will be in sole care of the youngsters will be extended to at least three months. There can be no doubt that such competitions have much influence in adding to the attractiveness of life on the farms, especially to the children, and for this reason, if for no other, they are more than justified.

She—Of course you will want the ring back.

He—No, you may as well keep it—no other girl of my acquaintance could wear it except on her thumb.—Judge.



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Red Cross Notes

The Red Cross acknowledge with thanks the following donations and work.

Mr. Stooks, donation \$50.00
Junior Red Cross, tea 1.00
Floral 1.40
Crossfield 6.00
Rodney 1.50

Work: Floral, 10 T bandages, 13 M-T. bandages, 2 stretcher caps and 1 suit pyjamas.

Eliza, 6 suits pyjamas, 1 day shirt, 11 pairs bed socks, 3 pairs socks, 4 feather pillows (donated).

Katherine Purvis, 2 eye bandages. Rodney, 1 dressing gown, 4 suits pyjamas, 3 stretcher caps, 4 M-T. bandages.

Junior Red Cross, 15 towels, 20 binders.

Crossfield, 15 M-T. bandages.

Mrs. Burslem, 1 pair socks.

Joe, 1 helpless shirt.

Kerbaugh, 2 pairs socks.

Glover, 1 M-T. bandage.

Wolegic, 1 suit pyjamas.

Whitfield, 5 M-T. bandages.

Wicks, 1 suit pyjamas.

A. R. Thomas, 1 pair socks.

Macklin, 10 stretcher caps.

F. R. Robinson, 5 pairs socks.

Ferguson, 3

Miss D. Robinson, 1 pair sheets and 2 binders.

The Red Cross Sewing Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. W. Lant this week and next week with Mrs. Horricks

Wise and Otherwise

Hope for the Farmers

We understand that the Government which takes such a keen interest in the welfare of the agricultural interests, has decided to lower the price of barley, so that the poor farmer will no longer have to feed his hogs at a loss.

A Well-Earned Tribute to the Stability of Our Local Builders

It is rumored that a party of experts have been dispatched post haste by the British Government to look into and report on the construction of our Oddfellows Hall. It is considered that a building which will withstand the concussion which the Hall has lately undergone will be immune from the severest German shell shock, and should prove a useful model for the construction of future fortifications.

Our Invigorating Atmosphere

A curious testimony to the invigorating effects of our climate was shown on Tuesday evening last at the Old Folks (I beg their pardon), it should have been Married Folks dance. When a popular two-step was encored no less than four times, and our worthy and weighty citizens stayed with it to the bitter end.

A few of the more adventurous spirits embarked upon a little fox trotting, and their praiseworthy efforts met with well-merited appreciation by the delighted onlookers.

Good News for the Allies A Relief in the Food Shortage

You will all be pleased to hear that the outlook for the supply of food has considerably improved since our old friend Mr. Ross Peacock has been placed in charge of the speeding up of the ploughing in the Old Country. The outlook is considerably brighter and everyone quite heartened up.

The Food Question

The very great difficulties in the way of compulsory rationing in Canada puts an additional responsibility for voluntary food service upon every Canadian, no matter what his rank or circumstances may be. With a tremendous stretch of country sparsely settled, except in a comparatively few districts, the enforcement of compulsory food economy on any general scale presents serious obstacles. It is hoped that the Greater Production campaign, which is now being started, will make unnecessary any resort to compulsory rationing in this country. At the same time our people must realize that efforts must not be relaxed to conserve food, for the need is very great.

Lord Rhonda in a recent cablegram to the United States Food Administration stated that unless that country were able to send the Allies at least 75,000,000 bushels of wheat, over and above what had been exported up to January 1st, and in addition to the total exportable surplus from Canada, he would not take the responsibility of assuring the people of the Allies that there would be food enough to win the war. "Imperative necessity compels me to cable you in this blunt way," said Lord Rhonda.

"We will export every grain that the American people save from their normal consumption," was Mr. Hoover's reply. The vital need is that the saving in wheat in both Canada and the United States should be very much increased.

The following figures indicate how great is the demand from overseas to meet their shortage:

In addition to Canada's total exportable surplus and the 75,000,000 more bushels which is absolutely the minimum that the Allies must have from the United States, 15,000,000 bushels must be found for Belgian relief and 10,000,000 bushels for Cuba and other neutrals upon whom the Allies are dependent for other foods in return.

Before the war the American exports of beef averaged 1,000,000 pounds monthly, for the next three months the British ships are being sent to American and Canadian ports for over 70,000,000 pounds a month. In pork products, the Allies look 80,000,000 a month before the war. They now ask for 180,000,000 pounds. The sharp reduction of rations among every

one of the Allies—for Great Britain has had to cut down her compulsory ration already from against the voluntary ration which Sir Arthur Yapp proposed as late as November last—is proof of the need.

The responsibility for saving food, so that the national total of eating shall be less, lies largely with the housewife. In fact, the immediate work of helping the Allies by food service falls to her. The growing of a larger supply for the Allies next year is more especially the Canadian man's work and preparations for it should not be delayed until Spring. Sheer hard work in the home, and then in the field, is the only solution of the difficulties of those who are fighting unconsciously for us. "Food will win the war," Mr. Hoover has said. Whose food shall win—German or Canadian?

WEDDING.

SPALDING-JAROSH

St. Agnes' Church, Carstairs, was the scene of a quiet wedding on Tuesday, February 5th, when Miss Mabel Spalding and Mr. Anthony Jarosh were united in holy wedlock. The Rev. Father Dargon officiating. They were attended by Miss A. Lennon, and Mr. J. Kennedy. Mr. and Mrs. Jarosh left on the morning train for Edmonton. They will reside on their farm west of Carstairs.

BIRTH.

On January 27th, at Sampsonton, to Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Farquharson, a son.

Lodge Cards

CROSSFIELD LODGE 1. O. O.

No. 42

Meets Every Wednesday Night in the Oddfellows Hall at 8 p.m. Visiting Brethren Welcome.

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LOST

\$10 REWARD

The above reward will be given for information leading to the recovery of a Light Grey Girdling. Branded  on the left shoulder. Please phone 508, Crossfield.

LOST—Reward for information leading to the recovery of Three head of Cattle. One Brown Yearling blood Calf, one two year blood Calf and one Day two year old Filly, she has a star on forehead and two white feet. No brands. Have been missing about two weeks. Please notify. L. V. BLISS, Crossfield.

LOST, on the trail between A. Ferguson's, Springfield Farm, and Crossfield, a LADY'S GOLD WATCH, on Tuesday, Jan. 20th. Anyone finding the same please phone 12016, Carstairs, or leave at Chronicle Office.

LOST, Russian Greyhound, BITCH, almost pure white, with a few yellowish spots. Last seen on Saturday morning, January 26th, in Crossfield. A reward of \$5.00 will be given for information leading to recovery. G. M. PERRY, Crossfield.

Stray.

One Black Cow, with white star on face, white on belly and white spot on stifle, also on left foot; turned in horse. Small animal with a short tail. Branded on left ribs as cut.

And on right ribs as bottom

Also one Red and White Heifer calf, white spot on face, more white on hind quarters. Branded on right ribs. Both these animals are on the premises of Vera Griffin, N.E. 1/4 of S. 25, Twp. 28, R. 19, W. of 10.

GEO. McLEOD, Brand Reader.

I will buy your Coyote and Rat Hides, bring them to me at Crossfield, or write me at Box 161, and I will call for them. GEO. M. PERRY.

WE MUST HAVE MORE OIL TO WIN THE WAR

THE GOVERNMENT has notified the large oil companies that they must speed up the oil production at once. We are one of the largest companies operating in the states of Wyoming and Montana. We have four Standard rigs pounding away day and night in four of the best oil sections of the northwest. We are near the oil sands—down over 1000 feet now in the Well No. 2, at Elk Basin oil fields. We have about 800 feet to go to strike producing well. There is no question about it. The wells in Elk Basin brought in over \$25,000,000 in refined oil in 1917. This Basin will go over \$50,000,000 in 1918.

Our value is limited in this ad in The Chronicle and all we ask of you is to write us today for our large map and booklet—for colors—which will give you very valuable information in regard to the oil situation in the northwest and will also tell you all about our company and its holdings. A postcard will do or fill in the coupon and send the same at once to the Billings office.

Stock in the Midwest company, adjoining our property in Elk Basin, sold three years ago for 10c per share. Recently the shares sold for \$175 per share. Had you bought 1,000 shares then in the Midwest today they would be worth \$176,000. The new booklet will tell you all about the many millionaires made in Wyoming and Montana during the past three years.

We want to put down forty or fifty wells this spring and summer. In order to do so we need more money. Only a small per cent of our stock has been sold so far—we have about 90 per cent of the treasury stock still in the treasury and we will not sell very much—just enough to make it possible to do some extensive development. You will share in this greatest of all opportunities if you decide at once.

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BANK REFERENCES:

First State Bank, Livingston, Mont.

First National Bank, Bridger, Mont.

Citizens National Bank, Laurel, Mont.

Security Trust & Savings Bank, Billings, Mont.

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